



COMPLIANCE, CLEANUP, & COMMUNICATION

Partnering with Federal Facilities

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Federal Facilities in New Mexico

Air Force

- **Holloman AFB**
- **Cannon AFB**
- **Kirtland AFB**
- **Melrose Bombing Range**

Army

- **Ft. Bliss**
 - **White Sands Missile Range**
 - **Ft. Wingate (BRAC)**
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Federal Facilities in New Mexico

⌘ Department of Energy

- Los Alamos National Laboratory
- Sandia National Laboratory
- Waste Isolation Pilot Plant
- UMTRA Sites

⌘ White Sands Test Facility (NASA)

⌘ FUDs

Federal Facilities in New Mexico

- # Lots of Open Space
 - # Few People
 - # Supportive Congressional Delegation
 - # Past Weak Regulatory Environment
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- # Ground Water is Drinking Water
 - # State Water Quality Act
 - # Cleanup a Compliance Requirement Under Permits
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What Went Wrong?

- # Numerous Repeat Violations
 - # Slow Cleanup Progress
 - # Federal Government **BIG**
 - # State Government small
 - # Most Low-Hanging Fruit Already Picked
 - # Bad Publicity
 - # Little Trust Between Parties
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Why “Partnering”

- # Exchange of Priorities
 - # Real-Time Decision-Making
 - # Expedited Review
 - # Get to Know Your “Partner”
 - # Save Money
 - # There Had to Be a Better Way
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Federal-State Partnering in New Mexico

■ Department of Defense

- Partnering Arrangement
- Southwest Strategy

■ Department of Energy

- Senior Management Steering Committee
- Management Implementation Group
- High-Performing Teams
- Interagency Flood Risk Assessment Team

■ NASA

- Project XL
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Genesis of the State-DoD Partnering Arrangement

- ✦ **HAFB and DSMOA Staff Initiated Regular Meetings**
 - ✦ **Get Upper Management More Involved**
 - ✦ **Get Decisions Made Faster**
 - ✦ **Upper Management Faded Away**
 - ✦ **Led to the More Formal Arrangement**
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State-DoD Partnering Arrangement

- # Regular Meetings
 - # NMED; DoD Facilities; DoD Regional; EPA; Experts
 - # Share Common Vision
 - # Exchange Information
 - # Move Toward Consistency
 - # Influence Policy
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“Emerging” Issues at Federal Facilities

- # Long-term Stewardship**
 - # Land Transfers**
 - # Environmental Indicators**
 - # Resource Conservation and Recovery**
 - # Performance Based Budgeting**
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